

FILED: December 14, 2017

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

No. 17-2418 (L)
(1:06-cv-02773-CCB)

THE COALITION FOR EQUITY AND EXCELLENCE IN MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION, INC., a/k/a Coalition for Equity and Excellence in Maryland Higher Education; RASHAAN SIMON, a/k/a Rahsaan Simon; DAVID J. BURTON; MURIEL THOMPSON; ANTHONY ROBINSON; DR. CHRIS HEIDELBERG; DAMEIN MONTGOMERY; KELLY THOMPSON; J. S.

Plaintiffs - Appellees

and

SALLY C. MCMILLAN; TINA M. VINES; DAVID BUTLER; DAPO OLADAPO; NICHOLAS WASHINGTON; DANIELLE WILLIAMS; ZENIA WILSON; JESSICA WINSLOW; CRYSTAL MYERS; JOMARI SMITH; WAYNE BECKLES

Plaintiffs

v.

MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION; ANWER HASAN, Chairman of the Maryland Higher Education Commission; JENNIE C. HUNTER-CEVERA, Acting Secretary of Higher Education; STATE OF MARYLAND

Defendants - Appellants

and

ROBERT L. EHRLICH, JR., Governor; STATE OF MARYLAND; CALVIN W. BURNETT, Secretary of Higher Education

Defendants

No. 17-2425
(1:06-cv-02773-CCB)

THE COALITION FOR EQUITY AND EXCELLENCE IN MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION, INC., a/k/a Coalition for Equity and Excellence in Maryland Higher Education; RASHAAN SIMON, a/k/a Rahsaan Simon; DAVID J. BURTON; MURIEL THOMPSON; ANTHONY ROBINSON; DR. CHRIS HEIDELBERG; DAMEIN MONTGOMERY; KELLY THOMPSON; J.S.

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O R D E R

The court consolidates Case No. 17-2425 and Case No. 17-2418. Entry of appearance forms and disclosure statements filed by counsel and parties to the lead case are deemed filed in the secondary case.

For the Court--By Direction

/s/ Patricia S. Connor, Clerk